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## REFERENCE LETTER

To whom it may concern,

Jérôme Sicaire undertook a three-month internship in BUSINESSEUROPE's social affairs department from 11 May to 6 August 2015. The main working language in BUSINESSEUROPE is English.

Jérôme is 27 years of age and already had some relevant work experience in the field of EU affairs with a consultancy and a company when he joined BUSINESSEUROPE. In view of this, we have adapted his tasks to support our work, while matching his expectations and needs for professional development.

Jérôme is particularly interested in the EU economic and social governance and the interactions and synergies between economic and social policy fields. As one of his key tasks and achievements, he has conducted for us an outstanding work to assess the way in which the European Commission and Council addressed national employment and social policy challenges in the 2015 country specific recommendations.

He also actively supported our activities in the context of the European social dialogue by preparing two powerpoint presentations summarising the recent EU social dialogue outcomes, i.e. an in-depth employment analysis and the EU social dialogue work programme for 2015-2017.

Part of his tasks was also to attend internal and external meetings as necessary, monitor relevant policy developments in the European Parliament - Employment and Social Affairs, Women's Rights and Gender Equality, Legal Affairs, Civil Liberties, and inform the advisers in the department of the relevant developments for our work.

Without any doubt, Jérôme's presence in our team has provided added value to our work. He has behaved throughout his traineeship with us as a real and competent professional.

Jérôme has decided to pursue his studies at the College of Europe in Bruges to strengthen his knowledge and skills from an economic point of view.

I am convinced that he has the maturity needed to adapt easily to an employment relationship in a European affairs context. Therefore, I am pleased to recommend Jérôme to any employer who would consider his profile for a job vacancy.

Yours sincerely,

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Director Social Affairs